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REMARKS

Claims 1–3 are pending in the present application. The Examiner has rejected claims 1–3 and objected to claim 3. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended by Applicants. Applicants have also canceled claim 3. Applicants submit that claims 1 and 2 should be pending after entry of the amendments above.

The above amendments to the claims should not be construed as acquiescence to the rejections by the Examiner and were provided solely to expedite the prosecution of the application. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue the claims as originally filed in the present or separate applications, for example, continuing applications.

Applicants also request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and objections by the Examiner in view of the remarks herein.

Objections

The Examiner has objected to the abstract on page 10 of the application and claim 3. Applicants have substituted the abstract to state “[t]he present invention relates to a conductive resin molded product having an insulating skin produced by a composite comprising a non-conductive resin and conductive material. The invention also provides a method for producing the conductive resin molded product.” Applicants have also canceled claim 3.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 for lack of enablement. The Examiner has also rejected claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as indefinite. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended by Applicants.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1–3 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,599,446 to Todt et al. Applicants indicate that Todt et al. teach carbon nanotubes and calcium stearate added to provide enhanced electro conductivity to a non-conductive resin.

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The patent laws are established in that a single prior art reference must disclose each limitation of the claims under consideration for anticipation. To the contrary, Applicants submit that Todt et al. could not be practiced to obtain a molding product having an insulating skin and a conductive core. Todt et al. also do not suggest a molding product having an insulating skin and conductive core as required by claims 1 and 2 such that the reference cannot anticipate the claimed invention. Applicants respectfully request that the anticipation rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 be withdrawn and claims 1 and 2 be allowed by the Examiner.

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CONCLUSION

Based on the remarks herein, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and objections by the Examiner and allowance of the application with the pending claims are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is also encouraged to telephone the undersigned attorney to discuss any matter that may expedite allowance of the present application.

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